I am writing to express my opinions regarding initiative 04-233 in order to show my support to allow the K-LOVE radio program to continue to be broadcast on my local FM channel of 91.1.

- 1) The K-Love radio program serves the residents of my community through a) providing services required by local residents (including counseling and prayer support), b) alerting residents of local important events (especially not-for-profit), c) of national important events, and d) a music selection that is unique and not offered by other radio programs. I have not found another radio program that offers the same set of services.
- 2) If the K-LOVE radio program were to be displaced by an LPFM broadcaster, the residents of my community would suffer greatly. It would be extremely difficult (and possibly impossible) to find alternative sources for the services offered by K-LOVE. Residents would not obtain the mental, physical and spiritual support provided by the K-LOVE program. I have heard circumstances of listeners to the K-LOVE program call in to the counsleing service with suicide concerns. I feel confident, in the absence of K-Love services, that some subset of those listeners would tragically take their own lives.
- 3) I feel the services provided by the K-LOVE radio program are strongly in the public interest since a) there is a large public demand (a large active listening audience) for the services in each of the listening areas, b) the services are largely (if not entirely) listener funded so there is no drain on public money, and c) the K-LOVE radio program is a unique service (no other alternatives) that has built good values in the community.

I would welcome the opportunity to provide additional comments if it would help clarify my position. I would also be more than willing to offer my time for discussion or interviews. Please do not hesitate to contact me using the following information.

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